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SUBJECT: PRESENCE OF POLISH REFUGEES REPORTED IN

PRESS (GROBORZ, JANA ND GROBORZ, MARIAN)

REF ISTANBUL 2844 AND 2854

1. TURKISH DAILY NEWS (ENGLISH LANGUAGE DAILY) IN JULY 31
EDITION REPORTED THAT TWO POLISH BROTHERS
WHO ESCAPED TO ISTANBUL IN SMALL SAILING
BOAT WHICH THEY RENTED WHILE ON
HOLIDAY IN BULGARIA, HAVE ASKED FOR
POLITICAL ASYLUM. ARTICLE IDENTIFIED BOTH POLES, CLAIMS
THEY ARE BOTH MARRIED WITH A CHILD
EACH, AND ARE TRAINED ENGINEER TECHNICIANS. FURTHER
STATES AFTER "EVENTFUL TRIP" ACROSS THE BLACK
SEA THEY APPLIED TO POLICE FOR
POLITICAL ASYLUM. THE GROBORZ
BROTHERS, ACCORDING TO ARTICLE,
SAID THEY WENT TO BULGARIA AS
TOURISTS HAVING PLANNED TO ESCAPE
TO TURKEY LEAVING WIVES AND
CHILDREN BEHIND. THEY ARE
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CLAIMING POLITICAL ASYLUM

"ON ACCOUNT OF HARD LIVING CONDITIONS IN POLAND
AND POLICE ARE STUDYING THEIR APPLICATION".

2. TO BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE NO OTHER
TURKISH NEWSPAPER HAS PRINTED THIS
STORY. WE ALSO BELIEVE THIS MAY BE THE FIRST TIME
PRESENCE OF EAST EUROPEAN REFUGEES
SIMPLY SEEKING ASYLUM HAS BEEN
PUBLISHED IN PRESS. IT UNCLEAR WHAT ARTICLE MEANS
WHEN IT SAYS "POLICE ARE STUDYING
THEIR APPLICATION" SINCE ICMC ISTANBUL (DUMICIC)
TOLD US AUGUST 2 THAT POLES HAD BEEN TURNED OVER
TO ICMC ON JULY 30. DUMICIC SAID HE
WAS REASONABLY SURE THAT POLICE LEAKED
STORY TO PRESS SINCE POLES HAVE NOT SEEN ANY
JOURNALISTS. ADDED THAT SOME
DETAILS REGARDING ESCAPE ARE
INCOMPLETE OR INTENTIONALLY WRONG.
DUMICIC INTENDS KEBAPL#EX
SOA#
GROBORZ BROTHERS LATER
TODAY AND WILL REPORT TO US ANY ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION WHICH HE MAY ASCERTAIN. BATJER

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